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# Equidistribution of Hecke eigenforms on the Hilbert modular varieties

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## Abstract

Let  $F$  be a totally real number field with ring of integers  $\mathcal{O}$ , and let  $\Gamma = SL(2, \mathcal{O})$  be the Hilbert modular group. Given the orthonormal basis of Hecke eigenforms in  $S_{2k}(\Gamma)$ , one can associate a probability measure  $d\mu_k$  on the Hilbert modular variety  $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$ . We prove that  $d\mu_k$  tends to the invariant measure on  $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$  weakly as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . This generalizes Luo's result [W. Luo, Equidistribution of Hecke eigenforms on the modular surface, Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 131 (2003) 21–27] for the case  $F = \mathbb{Q}$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $F$  be a totally real number field of degree  $n$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with ring of integers  $\mathcal{O}$  and  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n$  be all the real embeddings of  $F$ . Let  $\Gamma = SL(2, \mathcal{O})$  be the Hilbert modular group which acts discontinuously on the product of  $n$  upper half planes  $\mathbb{H}^n$  in the following way: For  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma$ , and  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{H}^n$ , we define  $\gamma z = (\gamma_1 z_1, \dots, \gamma_n z_n)$  where

$$\gamma_i = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i(a) & \sigma_i(b) \\ \sigma_i(c) & \sigma_i(d) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_i z_i = \frac{\sigma_i(a)z_i + \sigma_i(b)}{\sigma_i(c)z_i + \sigma_i(d)} \quad (1 \leq i \leq n).$$

**Remark.** We may also identify  $\Gamma$  with its image in  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})^n$  via  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n) \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})^n$ .

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It is well known that  $\Gamma$  has finite co-volume (see [Fr]), i.e.

$$\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n) = \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \frac{dx dy}{(Ny)^2} < \infty,$$

where  $z = (x_1 + iy_1, \dots, x_n + iy_n) \in \mathbb{H}^n$ ,  $dx = dx_1 \cdots dx_n$ ,  $dy = dy_1 \cdots dy_n$ , and  $Ny = y_1 \cdots y_n$ .

Denote by  $S_{2k}(\Gamma)$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \geq 2$ ) the space of Hilbert modular cusp forms of weight  $(2k, \dots, 2k)$ , i.e. the space of holomorphic functions  $f(z)$  on  $\mathbb{H}^n$  such that

(1) for  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma$ ,  $f(\gamma z) = N(cz + d)^{2k} f(z)$ , where for  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{H}^n$ ,

$$N(cz + d) = \prod_{i=1}^n (\sigma_i(c)z_i + \sigma_i(d)),$$

(2)  $f(z)$  vanishes at all the cusps of  $\Gamma$  (see [Ga] or [Fr]).

Let

$$d\mu = \frac{1}{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n)} \frac{dx dy}{(Ny)^2}.$$

For  $f$  and  $g$  in  $S_{2k}(\Gamma)$ , we define the (normalized) Petersson inner product by

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} f(z) \overline{g(z)} (Ny)^{2k} d\mu.$$

It is well known that  $S_{2k}(\Gamma)$  is a finite dimensional Hilbert space. Furthermore, if we let  $J_k = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} S_{2k}(\Gamma)$ , then it was shown by Shimizu [Sh] (using the Selberg trace formula) that

$$J_k = \frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n)}{(4\pi)^n} (2k-1)^n + O(1) \quad (1.1)$$

as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

One expects the following mass equidistribution conjecture on the Hilbert modular variety  $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$  should be true:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \max_{1 \leq i \leq J_k} \left| \int_A (Ny)^{2k} |f_{i,k}(z)|^2 d\mu - \int_A d\mu \right| = 0 \quad (1.2)$$

where  $A \subset \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$  is compact and  $\{f_{i,k}\}_{i=1}^{J_k}$  is the orthonormal Hecke basis of  $S_{2k}(\Gamma)$ . For  $n = 1$  (i.e.  $\Gamma = \Gamma(1)$ ), this is an analogue of quantum unique ergodicity conjecture, formulated by Rudnick and Sarnak [RS].

This conjecture is still out of reach at the present. However, Luo [Lu] established this conjecture on the average and Lau [La] generalized Luo's result to the arithmetic surface  $\Gamma_0(N) \backslash \mathbb{H}$ . The purpose of this paper is to generalize Luo's and Lau's results to the Hilbert modular varieties (Theorem 1 and Corollary 2).

Let  $\{f_{i,k}\}_{i=1}^{J_k}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $S_{2k}(\Gamma)$ . Set

$$d\mu_k = \frac{1}{J_k} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{J_k} |f_{i,k}(z)|^2 \right) (Ny)^{2k} d\mu.$$

**Theorem 1.** For any compact subset  $A \subset \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$  and any  $0 < \epsilon < 1$ , we have

$$\int_A d\mu_k = \int_A d\mu + O_{\epsilon,A}((k^{-1+\epsilon})^n)$$

as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Remark 1.** The key ingredients in [Lu] and [La] are the Bergman kernel for the Hecke operator and the Petersson trace formula, respectively. Our approach is using the Bergman kernel on  $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$ .

**Remark 2.** Luo [Lu] proved a uniform result for all measurable subsets  $A$ . In our Theorem 1, the result depends on the compact subset  $A$ . But our decay rate is sharper than in [Lu].

*Some properties of  $\Gamma$ .* We say that an element  $\gamma$  ( $\neq$  identity) of  $\Gamma$  is *elliptic* (respectively *parabolic* and *hyperbolic*) if all the  $\gamma_i$  are elliptic (respectively parabolic and hyperbolic) in the usual sense (see [Iw]). If  $\gamma$  ( $\neq$  identity) is not of above types, we say that  $\gamma$  is *mixed*. A point  $z$  in  $\mathbb{H}^n$  is called an *elliptic point* if it is fixed by an elliptic element in  $\Gamma$ . A point  $\kappa$  in  $\overline{\mathbb{R}}^n$  (where  $\overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ ) is called a *cusp* if it is fixed by a parabolic element in  $\Gamma$ .

**Proposition 1.** (See [Sh, Theorem 6].) The number of the  $\Gamma$ -inequivalent elliptic points of  $\Gamma$  is finite.

**Proposition 2.** (See [Sh, Lemma 15].) Let  $e_1, \dots, e_s \in \mathbb{H}^n$  be a complete representatives of  $\Gamma$ -inequivalent elliptic points of  $\Gamma$ . Then the union of  $\Gamma_{e_i} \setminus \{1\}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq s$ ) forms a complete representatives of non-conjugate elliptic elements in  $\Gamma$ , where  $\Gamma_{e_i} = \{\gamma \in \Gamma: \gamma e_i = e_i\}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq s$ ).

Since  $\Gamma_{e_i}$  is a discrete subgroup of a compact subgroup,  $\Gamma_{e_i}$  is a finite subgroup. Hence we have

**Lemma 1.** There are only finitely many elliptic conjugacy classes in  $\Gamma$ .

## 2. Bergman kernel

For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \geq 2$  and  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$ ,  $w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in \mathbb{H}^n$ , we define the Bergman kernel by

$$B_k(z, w) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} N(\gamma z - \overline{w})^{-2k} j(\gamma, z)^{-2k}$$

where  $N(\gamma z - \overline{w}) = \prod_{i=1}^n (\sigma_i(\gamma) z_i - \overline{w}_i)$  and  $j(\gamma, z) = N(cz + d)$ ,  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Proposition 3.**

- (1)  $B_k(z, w)$  converges absolutely and uniformly for  $(z, w)$  in compact subsets of  $\mathbb{H}^n \times \mathbb{H}^n$ .  
 (2) For each fixed  $w \in \mathbb{H}^n$ ,  $B_k(z, w) \in S_{2k}(\Gamma)$  (as a function of  $z$ ).

**Proof.** The proof can be found in [Ga, 1.14] or [Fr, Chapter II].  $\square$

**Proposition 4.** If  $f \in S_{2k}(\Gamma)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} f(w) &= \left( \frac{2k-1}{4\pi} \right)^n \frac{(2i)^{2kn}}{2} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} f(z) \overline{B_k(z, w)} (Ny)^{2k} \frac{dx dy}{(Ny)^2} \\ &= \left( \frac{2k-1}{4\pi} \right)^n \frac{(2i)^{2kn}}{2} \text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n) \langle f, B_k(\cdot, w) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

where  $z = (x_1 + iy_1, \dots, x_n + iy_n) \in \mathbb{H}^n$ ,  $w \in \mathbb{H}^n$ .

**Proof.** See [Ga, 1.14] or [Fr, Chapter II].  $\square$

For convenience, denote by

$$C_k^{-1} = \left( \frac{2k-1}{4\pi} \right)^n \frac{(2i)^{2kn}}{2} \text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n) \quad (2.1)$$

and note that  $C_k = \overline{C_k}$  when  $k \geq 2$ .

For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{H}^n$ , let

$$h(\gamma, z) = N(z - \bar{z})^2 N(\gamma z - \bar{z})^{-2} j(\gamma, z)^{-2}$$

and

$$h_k(\gamma, z) = (h(\gamma, z))^k = N(z - \bar{z})^{2k} N(\gamma z - \bar{z})^{-2k} j(\gamma, z)^{-2k}.$$

**Lemma 2.**  $|h_k(\gamma, z)| \leq 1$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{H}^n$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Moreover,  $|h_k(\gamma, z)| = 1$  if and only if  $\gamma = \pm 1$  or  $\gamma$  is elliptic and  $z$  is its fixed point.

**Proof.** It suffices to prove when  $n = 1$ . By definition,

$$|h_k(\gamma, z)| = \left| \frac{z - \bar{z}}{\gamma z - \bar{z}} \cdot \frac{1}{cz + d} \right|^{2k}$$

where  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma$ . Let  $\gamma z = z' = x' + iy'$  and  $z = x + iy$ . Then

$$\left| \frac{z - \bar{z}}{\gamma z - \bar{z}} \cdot \frac{1}{cz + d} \right| = \frac{y^{1/2}}{\left| \frac{(x' - x) + i(y + y')}{2i} \right|} \left( \frac{y}{|cz + d|^2} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \frac{y^{1/2}(y')^{1/2}}{\left| \frac{y+y'}{2} + i \frac{x-x'}{2} \right|} \leq \frac{y^{1/2}(y')^{1/2}}{\frac{y+y'}{2}} \leq 1.$$

The equality holds if and only if  $x = x'$  and  $y = y'$ , i.e.  $\gamma z = z$ . Hence the equality holds if and only if  $\gamma = \pm 1$  or  $\gamma$  is elliptic and  $z$  is its fixed point.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.** For each fixed  $k \geq 2$ ,  $\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} h_k(\gamma, z)$  converges absolutely and uniformly on any compact subset of  $\mathbb{H}^n$ .

**Proof.** Note that

$$\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} h_k(\gamma, z) = N(z - \bar{z})^{2k} B_k(z, z) \quad (2.2)$$

and then the result follows from Proposition 3.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.** For any  $M \in \Gamma$ , we have

$$h_k(M^{-1}\gamma M, z) = h_k(\gamma, Mz).$$

**Proof.** By a simple computation or see [Fr].  $\square$

### 3. Proof of Theorem 1

Before we prove the theorem, we make the following observation.

Since  $B_k(z, w)$  is a cusp form in  $z$  (by Proposition 3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} B_k(z, w) &= \sum_{i=1}^{J_k} \langle B_k(\cdot, w), f_{i,k} \rangle f_{i,k}(z) \\ &= C_k \sum_{i=1}^{J_k} \overline{f_{i,k}(w)} f_{i,k}(z) \quad (\text{by Proposition 4}). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $w = z$ , then we obtain the identity

$$B_k(z, z) = C_k \sum_{i=1}^{J_k} |f_{i,k}(z)|^2, \quad (3.1)$$

where  $C_k$  is defined in (2.1).

**Proof of Theorem 1.** Let  $\chi_A(z)$  denote the characteristic function of  $A$  on  $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$ . One can extend it (with the same notation) to  $\mathbb{H}^n$  as a  $\Gamma$ -invariant function.

By (3.1) and (2.2),

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_A d\mu_k &= \frac{1}{J_k C_k} \int_A B_k(z, z) (Ny)^{2k} d\mu \\
&= \frac{1}{(2i)^{2kn} J_k C_k} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} h_k(\gamma, z) d\mu \\
&= \frac{1}{(2i)^{2kn} J_k C_k} \left[ \sum_{\gamma = \pm 1} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(\gamma, z) d\mu \right. \\
&\quad + \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma, \gamma \text{ is elliptic}} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(\gamma, z) d\mu \\
&\quad \left. + \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) \left( \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma, \gamma \neq \pm 1, \gamma \text{ is not elliptic}} h_k(\gamma, z) \right) d\mu \right].
\end{aligned}$$

We estimate the above three summation of integrals in the following cases.

*Case 1.*  $\gamma = \pm 1$ .

$$\int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(\gamma, z) d\mu = \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) d\mu = \mu(A).$$

*Case 2.* For  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  elliptic, let

$$\Gamma_\gamma = \{M \in \Gamma: M\gamma = \gamma M\} \quad (\text{the centralizer of } \gamma \text{ in } \Gamma)$$

and

$$[\gamma] = \{M^{-1}\gamma M: M \in \Gamma\}.$$

Also let  $\Lambda$  be a set of complete representatives of elliptic conjugate classes in  $\Gamma$ .

**Remark.**  $|\Lambda| < \infty$  by Lemma 1.

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma, \gamma \text{ is elliptic}} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(\gamma, z) d\mu &= \sum_{\gamma \in \Lambda} \sum_{\gamma' \in [\gamma]} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(\gamma', z) d\mu \\
&= \sum_{\gamma \in \Lambda} \sum_{M \in \Gamma_\gamma \backslash \Gamma} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(M^{-1}\gamma M, z) d\mu.
\end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 4 and unfolding, we have

$$\sum_{M \in \Gamma_\gamma \backslash \Gamma} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(M^{-1}\gamma M, z) d\mu = \int_{\Gamma_\gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(\gamma, z) d\mu$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{|\Gamma_\gamma|} \int_{\mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(\gamma, z) d\mu \\
&= \frac{1}{|\Gamma_\gamma|} \int_{\mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) \prod_{i=1}^n h_{k,i}(\gamma_i, z_i) d\mu \\
&\leq \frac{1}{|\Gamma_\gamma|} \frac{1}{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n)} \prod_{i=1}^n \int_{\mathbb{H}} h_{k,i}(\gamma_i, z_i) \frac{dx_i dy_i}{y_i^2}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$h_{k,i}(\gamma_i, z_i) = (z_i - \bar{z}_i)^{2k} (\gamma_i z_i - \bar{z}_i)^{-2k} j(\gamma_i, z_i)^{-2k}.$$

**Remark.**  $h_{k,i}(M^{-1}\gamma_i M, z_i) = h_{k,i}(\gamma_i, M z_i)$  for any  $M \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ .

Hence we may assume that each  $\gamma_i$  is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_i & \sin \theta_i \\ -\sin \theta_i & \cos \theta_i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \theta_i \neq 0, \pi.$$

For convenience, we drop the subscripts  $i$  in  $\gamma_i, z_i, \theta_i$ , etc.

Now we make change of variables by using the *Cayley transform*

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{H} &\rightarrow D \text{ (unit disc)} \\
z &\mapsto w = \frac{z-i}{z+i}
\end{aligned}$$

and then use the polar coordinates  $w = \rho e^{i\varphi}$  of the unit disc. It yields

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{H}} |h_{k,i}(\gamma, z)| \frac{dx dy}{y^2} &= 4 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-\rho^2)^{2k-2}}{|1-e^{i\beta}\rho^2|^{2k}} \rho d\rho d\varphi \\
&= 4\pi \int_0^1 \frac{(1-t)^{2k-2}}{|1-e^{i\beta}t|^{2k}} dt \quad (\text{where } \beta = 2\theta \neq 0, 2\pi).
\end{aligned}$$

- When  $0 \leq t \leq k^{-1+\epsilon}$  ( $0 < \epsilon < 1$ ), it is easy to see that  $\frac{1-t}{|1-e^{i\beta}t|} \leq 1$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{k^{-1+\epsilon}} \frac{(1-t)^{2k-2}}{|1-e^{i\beta}t|^{2k}} dt &= \int_0^{k^{-1+\epsilon}} \left( \frac{1-t}{|1-e^{i\beta}t|} \right)^{2k-1} \frac{1}{|1-e^{i\beta}t|^2} dt \\
&\leq \int_0^{k^{-1+\epsilon}} \frac{1}{|1-e^{i\beta}t|^2} dt \ll k^{-1+\epsilon}.
\end{aligned}$$

• When  $k^{-1+\epsilon} \leq t \leq 1$ , we have  $(1-t)^2 < \frac{1}{4}$  for  $k$  sufficiently large and then  $\frac{2t}{(1-t)^2} \geq \frac{2k^{-1+\epsilon}}{4} = \frac{1}{2}k^{-1+\epsilon}$ . So

$$\frac{1-t}{|1-e^{i\beta}t|} = \frac{1}{|1+\frac{2t}{(1-t)^2}(1-\cos\beta)|^{1/2}} \ll (1+k^{-1+\epsilon})^{-1/2}.$$

Hence

$$\int_{k^{-1+\epsilon}}^1 \frac{(1-t)^{2k-2}}{|1-e^{i\beta}t|^{2k}} dt \ll [(1+k^{-1+\epsilon})^{-1/2}]^{2k-2} = (1+k^{-1+\epsilon})^{-k+1}.$$

Combining these estimates, we get

$$\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma, \gamma \text{ is elliptic}} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) h_k(\gamma, z) d\mu \ll (k^{-1+\epsilon})^n.$$

Note that here the implicit constant only depends on  $\epsilon$ .

*Case 3.* Let  $\Gamma' = \Gamma \setminus (\{\pm 1\} \cup \{\gamma \in \Gamma: \gamma \text{ is elliptic}\})$ .

Since  $\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma'} |h_3(\gamma, z)|$  converges uniformly on  $A$  (by Lemma 3) and  $|h_3(\gamma, z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in A$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma'$  (by Lemma 2), there exists a constant  $0 < \lambda < 1$  (dependent on  $A$ ) such that  $|h_3(\gamma, z)| < \lambda$  for all  $z \in A$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma'$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}^n} \chi_A(z) \left( \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma'} h_k(\gamma, z) \right) d\mu &\leq \int_A \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma'} |h_3(\gamma, z)| |h_3(\gamma, z)|^{\frac{k-3}{3}} d\mu \\ &\leq \int_A \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma'} |h_3(\gamma, z)| \lambda^{\frac{k-3}{3}} d\mu \ll (\lambda_1)^k \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda_1 = (\lambda)^3 < 1$ .

From Cases 1–3 and using Shimizu's asymptotic formula (1.1) for  $J_k$ , Theorem 1 follows directly.  $\square$

#### 4. Some remarks

Let  $\Gamma$  be a discrete subgroup of  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})^n$  with finite co-volume which satisfies the irreducibility condition below and Assumption (F) on its fundamental domain.

*Irreducibility condition:* The restriction of each of the  $n$  projections

$$p_j: SL(2, \mathbb{R})^n \rightarrow SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \quad (1 \leq j \leq n)$$

to  $\Gamma$  is injective.



*Assumption (F):* Let  $\kappa_v$  ( $1 \leq v \leq t$ ) be a set of complete representatives of  $\Gamma$ -inequivalent cusp of  $\Gamma$ . For each  $v$ , take a  $g_v \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})^n$  such that  $g_v \kappa_v = \infty$  and put

$$U_v = \left\{ g_v^{-1} z : \prod_{i=1}^n \operatorname{Im}(z_i) > d_v, z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \right\}$$

where  $d_v$  is a suitably chosen positive number. Let  $\Gamma_{\kappa_v} = \{\gamma \in \Gamma : \gamma \kappa_v = \kappa_v\}$  and let  $V_v$  be a fundamental domain of  $\Gamma_{\kappa_v}$  in  $U_v$ . Then  $\Gamma$  has a fundamental domain  $F$  of the form

$$F = F_0 \cup V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_t$$

where  $F_0$  is relatively compact in  $\mathbb{H}^n$ .

In this case, Shimizu's dimension formula (1.1) also holds for  $\Gamma$  [Sh]. Moreover, our propositions, lemmas and theorem in previous sections all remain true for  $\Gamma$ . In particular, for a non-zero ideal  $\mathfrak{n}$  of  $\mathcal{O}$ , let

$$\Gamma_0(\mathfrak{n}) = \left\{ \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathcal{O}) : c \equiv 0 \text{ modulo } \mathfrak{n} \right\}.$$

Then  $\Gamma = \Gamma_0(\mathfrak{n})$  satisfies the irreducible condition and Assumption (F). Hence we have the following corollary:

**Corollary 2.** *For any compact subset  $A \subset \Gamma_0(\mathfrak{n}) \backslash \mathbb{H}^n$  and any  $0 < \epsilon < 1$ , we have*

$$\int_A d\mu_k = \int_A d\mu + O_{\epsilon, A}((k^{-1+\epsilon})^n)$$

as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Remark.** Again the decay rate here is sharper than in [La], but the implicit constant depends on the compact subset  $A$ . In [La], the result is uniform.

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